(e) Most of the recommendations on systems improvement have been implemented. In addition, disciplinary action was initiated in 260 cases and has since been completed as under:

Sl. No.	Details of the case	No. of cases
1.	Number of cases in which panalties were imposed	77
2.	Number of cases in which administrative action was taken	18
3.	Number of cases in which the coal executives expired/retired before initiation of disciplinary proceedings	14
4.	Number of cases in which disciplinary proceedings were dropped after issue of chargesheets	28
5.	Number of cases in which chargesheeted executives were exonerated	123
	Total No. of cases	**260**

(f) Does not arise.

Bogus industries availing Government benefits

5255. SHRI PARMESHWAR KUMAR AGARWALLA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Bogus industries under the Ministry of Coal are illegally availing the benefits of the scheme launched by Government to encourage the industries and are getting coal at price less than the market price;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;

(c) the amount swindled off by these industries and the loss caused to the exchequer;

(d) whether some of these industries are indirectly run by the officials of the Coal India Limited, BCCL and CCL;

(e) if so, whether any inquiry has been conducted in this regard; and

(f) if so, the findings thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL AND MINES (SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD): (a) and (b) Coal India Limited supply coal to both core and non-core sector consumers having valid linkage. Verification of non-core sector consumers is being done for ascertaining the existence, working status and consumption of coal. Out of the total 4784 valid linked consumers in non-core sector, a total of 3593 units have so far been verified. A total of 334 units have been found non-existing/not operating and coal supplies to these consumers have been discontinued.

(c) Since coal is sold to linked consumers both in core and non-core sectors at the notified price, the question of any loss to the coal companies does not arise.

(d) No such information has come to the notice of Government.

(e) and (f) Do not arise in view of reply to part (d) above.

Irregularities and rampant corruption in BCCL

5256. SHRI PARMESHWAR KUMAR AGARWALLA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received several representations from MPs and other representatives of Jharkhand and Bihar drawing their attention towards the alleged irregularities and rampant corruption in BCCL, Dhanbad;

(b) if so, the nature of allegations, levelled in these representations, against BCCL, Dhanbad; and

(c) the action taken/proposed by Government thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL AND MINES (SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD): (a) and (b) Representations have been received from MPs, MLAs, and others regarding alleged irregularities in securing employment against land, theft of slurry from